

## THE COURTS.

**HEAVY DAMAGES AGAINST ST. ALBANS CHURCH.**  
In the case of Mrs. Constant, who brought suit in the Court of Common Pleas against the Recter, Warden, and vestry of St. Albans' Church, to recover Wards and dollars advanced by her in aid of a several thousand dollars advanced by her to the church, the court found for the defendants moved yesterday to dismiss the complaint, because it was not shown that a majority of the Wardens and Vestrymen of the church had been given to the agreement, as required by the statute under which St. Albans Church was incorporated; and because the arrangement claimed by Mrs. Constant to have existed was merely talked over in an informal manner, no person having authority in connection with the church being present at the time. The motion was denied, and further testimony was given for the defendant showing that the proceeds of the fair went into the possession of the Chairman of the Building Committee, who had disbursed the money in payment of bills for erecting the church. The jury found for the plaintiff for \$4,480 37, the full amount claimed with interest.

## THE RIGHTS OF ALIENS AS HEIRS.

In February, 1870, Edward Doherty, a naturalized citizen of the United States, died possessed of Brooklyn real estate worth \$14,000. He left no wife or children and his three brothers and three sisters claimed to be his heirs. At the time of his death three brothers were still living. The two brothers and one sister resided in Ireland, and were aliens. One sister, Ann Gleeson, resided in California, and was married to a citizen of that country. James Doherty, a brother, came to this country in May, 1870, and began an action in the Superior Court of Kings County to recover his share of the real estate. Ann Gleeson demanded the sum and claimed that she was entitled to the whole of the property because the deceased died a citizen of the United States and she, being married to a citizen, was entitled also, while the other brothers and sisters, being aliens, could not inherit any property. The court ruled that the deceased had no interest in the real estate, and the aliens had no interest in the real estate.

## THE WILLIAMSBURG ASSASSINATION—THE JURY DISAGREE.

The trial of John Connors for the alleged murder of John Gass in Williamsburg, was concluded yesterday, before Judge McCue, in the Court of Oyer and Terminer of Kings County. Counsel occupied the forenoon in summing up, and Judge McCue then charged the Jury that it was their power to find the defendant guilty of manslaughter in the first or second degree. The trial will be adjourned until Friday, when being unable to agree, they were discharged. Six were for conviction and six for acquittal. Connors was remanded to jail.

## CIVIL NOTES.

In the case of William B. Lawrence agt. Leonard W. Jerome, Margaret Alberton, and the Spyway Duyvil and Port Morris Railroad Company, begun yesterday, in the United States Circuit Court, the plaintiff, a citizen of Rhode Island, claims \$5,000 damages for being ejected from his real estate in Port Morris.

Judge Benedict denied, yesterday, in the Eastern District U. S. Court, the motion for a new trial of Robert D. Bogart, Paymaster's Clerk, on the receiving side, who had been convicted of embezzling \$60,000 of United States funds.

In the U. S. District Court, yesterday, in the collision case of Nicolas da Las Casas agt. the steamer Alabama and the steam-tug Game Cock, Judge Blatchford disallowed the exceptions filed by behalf of the Alabama, and sustained the claim of the Game Cock, and dismissed the case. In the collision case of Cunard, Barn agt. the steamboat Elm City, the report and decision of Commissioner Betts were also sustained.

## CRIMINAL COURTS.

J. Manusas, charged with committing fraudulent bankruptcy, was held, yesterday, in \$1,000 bail by Commissioners Watson.

In the Essex County Court, John Mack, former Sheriff, and Frank Dury, were committed, yesterday, to prison for breaking into John McCoy's store, at No. 349 Grand-st., and stealing sugar worth \$8.

In the Court of General Sessions, before Recorder Hackett, yesterday, Adelene Sands, for stealing clothing, was sent to jail for 10 days. Philip Nease pleaded guilty to grand larceny. Sentence suspended.

In the Kings County Court of Oyer and Terminer Richard Price and George were convicted of burglary in the third degree, and sentenced to imprisonment at Sing Sing, for one year each. The King's pleader, guilty of malversation in the third degree, was sentenced to 10 years.

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## SPOKEN.

Ship Gov. Morton, from New York for San Francisco, May 19, at 20 p. m.; Capt. J. C. Washington (reported Am), held June 8, at 1 p. m.

Ship Captain, from Boston, for New Orleans, May 1, at 10 a. m.; Capt. H. D. Conroy, E. B. Brown—Men dened costs to sail ship. Plaintiff, agt. Conroy, for damages and costs of inquiry to sue him.

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## DECISIONS—JUNE 28.

**Supreme Court—Chambers.** By Judge Ingraham—Sarah Van Gies, agt. John H. Johnson, for grain dealers, received judgment for \$1,000, against H. D. Conroy, E. B. Brown—Men dened costs to sail ship. Plaintiff, agt. Conroy, for damages and costs of inquiry to sue him.

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**Court of Common Pleas—Temporary.**—By Justice Jones—Andrew M. Moore agt. Robert H. Johnson, of the Oranges, granted, with costs, the bill of complaint filed by Michael Murphy agt. the International Insurance Co.—Order granted.

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